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SUBJECT: MODERNIZATION OF BERLIN FLIGHT INFORMATION
SYSTEM AND FRENCH PROPOSAL RE NORTH CORRIDOR

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1. FRENCH CAA CONFIRMED TO US THE FRENCH COMMITMENT TO AEG TELEFUNKEN SYSTEM, STATING PLEASURE WITH DECISION TO SPEED UP MODERNIZATION PROGRAM AND WITH NEW COMPLETION DATE OF EARLY 1977. FRENCH CAA INDICATED HE AND HIS AUTHORITIES ARE WELL AWARE OF IMPLICATIONS OF NEW SYSTEM FOR FRENCH BASC CONTROLLER, AND EVEN THOUGH "POOR FRENCH" IN BASC WOULD BE WITHOUT MUCH OF ROLE, NEW SYSTEM AN OBVIOUS IMPROVEMENT.

2. REGARDING NORTH CORRIDOR, FRENCH CAA TOLD US A FEW WEEKS AGO THAT FRANCE ACCEPTS UK DECISION TO RETAIN RESPONSIBILITY AND IS PROCEEDING WITH PLANNING, TRAINING, ETC. TO ENSURE THE REQUIRED CAPABILITY TO PASS FLIGHT
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INFO FROM TEGEL TO FRENCH BASC CONTROLLER AND ON TO US

AND UK ELEMENTS. FRENCH CAA INDICATED LINGERING IRRITATION WITH BRITISH OVER UK ATTEMPT "TO TRY TO SHOW THAT FRENCH COULD NOT BE EFFICIENT CONTROLLERS OF A CORRIDOR," AND SAID THERE WAS NO REASON TO THINK THAT FLIGHT INFORMATION FROM TEGEL WOULD NOT BE PASSED VIA FRENCH BASC ELEMENT TO CORRIDOR CONTROLLERS EFFICIENTLY, WITH SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS FULLY MET.

3. COMMENT: IT SEEMS TO US THE ONLY REASON TO BECOME INVOLVED IN ANGLO-FRENCH IMBROGLIO OVER NORTH CORRIDOR WOULD BE FLIGHT SAFETY. SO FAR WE HAVE SEEN NO EVIDENCE TO SUPPORT AN ASSUMPTION THAT PASSING OF INFO VIA FRENCH BASC ELEMENT WOULD NECESSARILY MEAN A SAFETY RISK. FRENCH, WHO HAVE MUCH AT STAKE IN ENSURING PROPER OPERATION OF TEGEL SOUTH, ARE APPARENTLY TAKING THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES VERY SERIOUSLY, WITH PLANS FOR PROVISION OF ADDITIONAL TRAINED MANPOWER AS NEEDED. EMBASSY BELIEVES WE SHOULD NOT GET INVOLVED IN ANGLO-FRENCH DISPUTE NOR TAKE SIDES IN NORTH CORRIDOR PROBLEM--WHICH HAS NO INHERENT CONNECTION TO INFORMATION PASSING--UNLESS POTENTIAL SAFETY PROBLEM CAN ACTUALLY BE SHOWN TO EXIST.
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